



Docket No:6360

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Macino et al. GROUP: 1636
SERIAL NO: 09/913,878 EXAMINER: Celine X. Qian
FILED: January 23, 2002
FOR: ISOLATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF A
N. CRASSA SILENCING GENE AND USE THEREOF


Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), petition is made for an extension of time to file a Request for Continued Examination which was due June 28, 2005, the Request for Continued Examination now being due July 28, 2005. Please note that the Applicants previously paid a two month extension fee and are now paying for the third extension. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$570.00 for the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any further extension and/or fee that is required to Deposit Order Account 19-0079.

Respectfully submitted,


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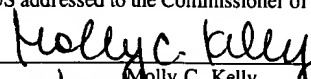
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I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on July 25, 2005 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EV622988565US addressed to the Commissioner of Patents, Box RCE, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313.


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7/25/05
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